

**Village of Lovington
Regular Board Meeting
November 4, 2013**

Call to order: President Jim Minor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: President Minor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Doug Smith, Roger Walker, Pam Anklam, Jim McMahan and Barry Morgan. President Jim Minor, Clerk Alma Fair and Treasurer Katie Stanley were also present. Absent: Dennis Garmon

Guests present were Connie Fedie.

Those noted as requesting to speak were Connie Fedie.

1. **Connie Fedie** – Sparrow's Unlimited requested to close Center St adjacent to the East End Tavern on December 7, 2013 and erect a tent to conduct their 19th Annual Auction.
A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by McMahan to allow Sparrows Unlimited to close Center Street adjacent to the East End Tavern on December 7, 2013 and erect a tent to conduct their 19th Annual Auction.
YEA: Smith, Walker, Anklam, Morgan, McMahan
Absent: Garmon
MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence

1. Sparrow's Unlimited donation request
A **Motion** was made by Walker and seconded by McMahan to make a \$250 donation to Sparrows Unlimited to help them with families in the community at Christmas.
YEA: Walker, McMahan, Smith
Abstain: Morgan and Anklam
Absent: Garmon
MOTION CARRIED.
2. C.O.L.A. donation request
A **Motion** was made by Walker and seconded by Anklam to make a \$250 donation to C.O.L.A. to help with families in the community at Christmas.
YEA: Anklam, McMahan, Morgan, Smith, Walker
Absent: Garmon
MOTION CARRIED.

New Business

1. Discussion and action on Village of Lovington Annual Tax Levy Ordinance for Fiscal Year May 1, 2013 – April 30, 2014
A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by McMahan to table the tax levy until the December meeting.
YEA: McMahan, Morgan, Smith, Walker, Anklam
Absent: Garmon
MOTION CARRIED.
2. Discussion and action on closing skate park savings account
The agreement was that any money left over would go back to Chris and Candi Bennett.
3. Discussion and action on IMLRMA annual Village insurance payment
A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by Anklam to approve paying the IMLRMA annual Village insurance payment using Option 2 (2 payments).
YEA: Morgan, Smith, Walker, Anklam, McMahan
Absent: Garmon
MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business

None

Minutes and action of Village Clerk

1. Discussion and action on October invoices

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Anklaam to accept the listed invoices.

YEA: Smith, Walker, Anklaam, McMahan, Morgan

Absent: Garmon

MOTION CARRIED.

2. Discussion and action on October 7, 2013 Regular Board meeting minutes, October 15, 2013 Special Board meeting minutes, Closed Session minutes from August 5, 2013 and October 7, 2013.

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Anklaam to approve October 7, 2013 Regular Board meeting minutes and October 15, 2013 Special Board meeting minutes.

YEA: Walker, Anklaam, McMahan, Morgan, Smith

Absent: Garmon

MOTION CARRIED.

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Anklaam to approve August 5, 2013 Closed Session

YEA: Anklaam, Morgan, Smith, Walker

Abstain: McMahan

Absent: Garmon

MOTION CARRIED.

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Smith to approve October 7, 2013 Closed Session

YEA: Morgan, Smith, Walker

Abstain: Anklaam & McMahan

Absent: Garmon

MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report

1. Discussion and action on October 2013 Treasurer's reports.

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Walker to accept the October 2013 treasurer's report as presented.

YEA: Morgan, Smith, Walker, Anklaam, McMahan

Absent: Garmon

MOTION CARRIED.

Department Reports

Presidents Report – by Jim Minor

Report & action if needed

1. Update on Renfro property – All paperwork has been taken to the attorney

Water and Sewer Report – by Jim McMahan

Water billing report –For November there were 509 customers, 32 days in the billing cycle, 1,692,900 gallons of water used, \$22,407.06 was billed.

1. There was a report of the Storm Sewer funds that have been collected so far.
2. Central Power Products fixed generators at the water and sewer plants.
3. New chlorine pump was installed
4. Well #10 samples passed
5. Installed new water meter for a customer, fixed several meter lids
6. A new brine pump should arrive tomorrow costing \$700.50
7. The clutch is out on the jetter. Central Plains truck repair is fixing it.
8. Trustee Anklaam has some information on water grants and will email to all trustees.

Parks and Special Projects – by Barry Morgan in Dennis Garmon's absents

1. Morgan received a letter from the Illinois Municipal League (insurance) after they inspected the park and the skate-park. Their only loss control recommendation is to remove the stand-alone metal slide or place a fence around it. He recommends that we do not put up a fence and if we do nothing then our insurance might go up by \$50.00 next year. The recommendation from the board was to do nothing.

Police – by Pam Anklam

1. The police handled a burglary case and it was handled very nicely. Walker commented that Christian is very well thought of in the community. The community likes that he is seen around town. Anklam said she is very pleased with all of our officers right now.
2. Police report - Reports taken – 8, Calls dispatched – 17, Calls officer initiated – 3, Warning Citations issued – 3, State Citations Issued – 2, Juvenile Cases - 2, Misdemeanor Cases – 2, Felony Cases – 1, Agency Assists – 7, Total hours - 288
3. Animal Control report – 4 calls, 4 residents. There was concern that our Citation amounts might need to be looked at in the future.

Streets and Alleys – by Doug Smith

Update; street signs for truck route –

Smith hasn't been in contact with IDOT to see what we need to do to put signs on the highways coming into town. It will take a while and he hopes to have them up by next July. He will report more on this next month.

1. Installed a new light bar on the Dodge 1 ton truck.
2. Bought a new mini-tiller for \$314.00
3. Jetted drain at post office and on 400 block of S. Broadway
4. Just a reminder to the community that blowing leaves in the streets is illegal and causes drainage problems.
5. Snow plows will be ready this month.
6. Need to look into having concrete hauled away

Mayor Minor asked Smith if he had a maintenance check list at his place of employment that the Village workers could use for the dump truck, backhoe and tractor. Smith will get one for them to use.

Morgan - One of our employees while backing out of the maintenance building backed into someone; our insurance is taking care of it.

Buildings and Grounds – by Roger Walker

1. Update; North side of Community Building
He spoke with Roger Ray about repairing the wall; Mr. Ray will be able to repair it but will not be able to do it until next spring. He will be knocking off the corner and rebuilding it. Mr. Ray thought he could do it for no more than \$15,000.00
2. Ameren will not install the gas line to 108 E State Street because they are afraid that the building at 106 E State Street might fall on them. Walker is getting bids on an electric furnace for 108 E State Street; the board is allowing Walker to go ahead with an electric furnace if the bids are reasonable. Walker thought he could get one installed for around \$7,050.00
3. The roof of the maintenance garage is leaking; checking with the insurance on the roof.
4. Update; Building inspections by engineers
The engineer sent a proposed contract for \$1500.00 to inspect the two houses. The board has given Walker the directive to contact the engineer if we can lower the bill.

Insurance – by Barry Morgan

Nothing to report

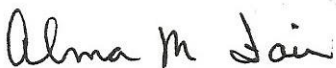
Adjournment

A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Smith to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

YEA: Morgan, Smith, Walker Anklam

Absent: Garmon

MOTION CARRIED.



Alma M. Fair, Village Clerk

December 09, 2013

Date Approved